

**ROYAL COMPREHENSIVE SECONDARY SCHOOL  
DENDO ROAD, SOKOTO**

A WELCOME ADDRESS DELIVERED ON THE 14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2006 DURING THE COMMISSIONING OF THE PHYSICS LABORATORY OF ROYAL COMPREHENSIVE SECONDARY SCHOOL, SOKOTO. FUNDED BY THE AMBASSADOR'S SPECIAL SELF-HELP PROGRAM OF THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND EXECUTED BY THE CENTER FOR PEOPLES HEALTH, PEACE AND PROGRESS (3PS).

I, Patience Omole, on behalf of the entire management, staffs and students of Royal Comprehensive Secondary School Sokoto heartily welcomes the American Embassy Representative..... and representatives of the Center for Peoples Health, Peace and Progress (3Ps).

**IMPORTANCE OF LABORATORIES TO A DEVELOPING SCHOOL LIKE ROYAL  
COMPREHENSIVE SECONDARY SCHOOL, SOKOTO.**

Most modern science curricula emphasize student's involvement in the study of science through practical work in laboratories. The emphasis is in line with the demand for the development of certain abilities and skills in students as they learn science.

These abilities and skills include:

- a. The ability to plan an experiment and analyze practical problems into their components parts;
- b. Ability to perform experiment;
- c. The ability to interpret the result of the experiments.

These abilities can only be acquired and developed if students participate actively in science instruction through laboratory experience. It is therefore pertinent for all developing schools like ours to have laboratories.

Thanks to the American Embassy in Nigeria who came to our rescue by equipping our physics laboratory through 3Ps, thereby attempting to bring science to our door step. We as well as God appreciate their kind gesture and may God Almighty continue to bless them.

Yes, anything worth doing is worth doing well. Science comprises of physics, chemistry, biology and computer laboratory. We are therefore appealing to the American Embassy through 3Ps to approve and execute the proposed permanent laboratory block for our school whose plan and estimate are attached hereto.

This is the only way students like us can see the lime light of studying sciences as most of us cannot afford the payment of exorbitant prices meant for non-indigenes in the state schools. This will afford us the opportunities in future to even be good citizens of America as she is God's won country and made up of people from different nations.

We wish you safe journey

Thanks and God bless.